COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING EVALUATION

UNIT: CARSON STATION
DATE: JULY 9, 1993
TIME: 1740 HOURS
LOCATION: 129th STREET AND TOWNE AVENUE, LOS ANGELES (COUNTY AREA)

URN#: 093-10529-1690-055
IAB#: 005685
NATURE OF INCIDENT: DEPUTY INVOLVED SHOOTING, ON DUTY, ONE SUSPECT WOUNDED, ONE SUSPECT STILL OUTSTANDING. ATTEMPT MURDER ON A PEACE OFFICER.

COMPLETED BY: SERGEANTS RAY MARLETT & THOM BRADSTOCK
Internal Affairs Bureau

DATE: AUGUST 24, 1993

REVIEWED BY THE FOLLOWING:

UNIT COMMANDER Joseph P. James **DATE:** 9-10-93

AREA COMMANDER [signature] **DATE:** 9/23/93

DIVISION CHIEF [signature] **DATE:** 9/23/93

ASSISTANT SHERIFF: Raymond L. Morris **DATE:** 10/7/93

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INCIDENT DATA

WHAT INITIATED INCIDENT

Call	[ ]	Observation	[X]	Search Warrant	[ ]	Arrest Warrant	[ ]

LOCATION OF OCCURRENCE

129th Street and Towne Avenue, Los Angeles, Ca (County Area)

TYPE OF LOCATION

Residence	[ ]	Business	[ ]	Industrial	[ ]	Parking Lot	[ ]
Street	[X]	Backyard	[ ]	Freeway	[ ]	Rural	[ ]
Other	[ ]						

SHOOTING CONDITIONS

DATE	TIME	DAY
July 9, 1993	1740 Hours	Friday

LIGHTING	WEATHER
Day light	Sunny and Warm

DISTANCE

Twenty Feet

CONTRIBUTING FACTORS

Deputies Had Been Shot at by two Suspects

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CLASSIFICATION

ACCIDENTAL:	No
GUN TAKE-AWAY:	No
PERSON(S) ARMED:	Yes
PERSON(S) UNARMED:	No
STARTLE:	No
UNINTENTIONAL:	No
DEPUTY IN UNIFORM:	[X] RAID JACKET: [ ] PLAIN CLOTHES: [ ]
VEST WORN:	Yes
FOOT PURSUIT:	No
VEHICLE PURSUIT:	Yes
MOVING VEHICLE:	Yes
VEHICLE STOP:	No
TYPE OF HOLSTER:	Department Issue
GUN IN HOLSTER:	No
STRUGGLE INVOLVED:	No

ADDITIONAL FACTS AND INFORMATION:

Both suspects were armed, and shots were fired at the deputies.

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DEPUTY INVOLVED

SHOOTER

EMPLOYEE'S NAME						
Bartlett, William						

RANK	EMPLOYEE NO.	UNIT AND DIVISION / REGION OF ASSIGNMENT
Deputy Sheriff	[redacted]	Carson Station Field Operations Region II

SEX	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	DATE OF BIRTH	AGE
Male	White	6'0"	220	[redacted]	[redacted]

DUTY STATUS	HIRE DATE
Continuing on Duty	09-23-87

UNIFORM	RAID JACKET	PLAIN CLOTHES	VEST
Yes	No	No	Yes

INJURED	DECEASED	CORONER'S CASE NO.
No	No	None

DESCRIPTION OF INJURIES
None

WAS THE DEPUTY IMMEDIATELY REMOVED FROM THE SCENE? YES [ ] NO [X]

WAS THE DEPUTY SEQUESTERED PRIOR TO THE INTERVIEW? YES [X] NO [ ]
WHERE? Carson Station
SUPERVISED BY: Lieutenant Masse

WEAPON USED

TYPE	AUTHORIZED
Department Issue, 92F, 9mm, Beretta	Yes

AMMUNITION TYPE	AUTHORIZED
Department Issue	Yes

RANGE QUALIFICATION (LAST DATE)	NO. OF ROUNDS FIRED BY DEPUTY	NO. OF HITS
[redacted]	Five	See Summary of Incident

DEPUTY'S TOXICOLOGY

UNDER THE INFLUENCE	TEST FOR CAUSE ORDERED	ORDERED BY
No	No	Not Applicable

TRAINING INFORMATION

LASER VILLAGE TRAINING (LAST DATE)	PRACTICAL POLICE COURSE (LAST DATE)
[redacted]	[redacted]

ASSIGNMENT HISTORY

DATE	UNIT OF ASSIGNMENT	RANK
09-17-89 to Present	Carson Station Field Operations Region II	Deputy Sheriff
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy Sheriff
[redacted]	[redacted]	D/S Trainee

PRIOR SHOOTING INCIDENTS (ALL KNOWN INCIDENTS WHERE DEPUTY HAS DISCHARGED A WEAPON INCLUDING ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGES AND SHOTS FIRED AT ANIMALS OR HUMANS)

FILE	DATE	TYPE
None		

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DEPUTY INVOLVED

SHOOTER

EMPLOYEE'S NAME		
[redacted]		

RANK	EMPLOYEE NO.	UNIT AND DIVISION / REGION OF ASSIGNMENT
Deputy Sheriff	[redacted]	Carson Station Field Operations Region II

SEX	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	DATE OF BIRTH	AGE
Male	White	5'10"	185	[redacted]	[redacted]

DUTY STATUS	HIRE DATE
Continuing on Duty	09-07-88

UNIFORM	RAID JACKET	PLAIN CLOTHES	VEST
Yes	No	No	Yes

INJURED	DECEASED	CORONER'S CASE NO.
No	No	None

DESCRIPTION OF INJURIES
None

WAS THE DEPUTY IMMEDIATELY REMOVED FROM THE SCENE? YES [ ] NO [X]

WAS THE DEPUTY SEQUESTERED PRIOR TO THE INTERVIEW? YES [X] NO [ ]

WHERE? Carson Station

SUPERVISED BY: Lieutenant Masse

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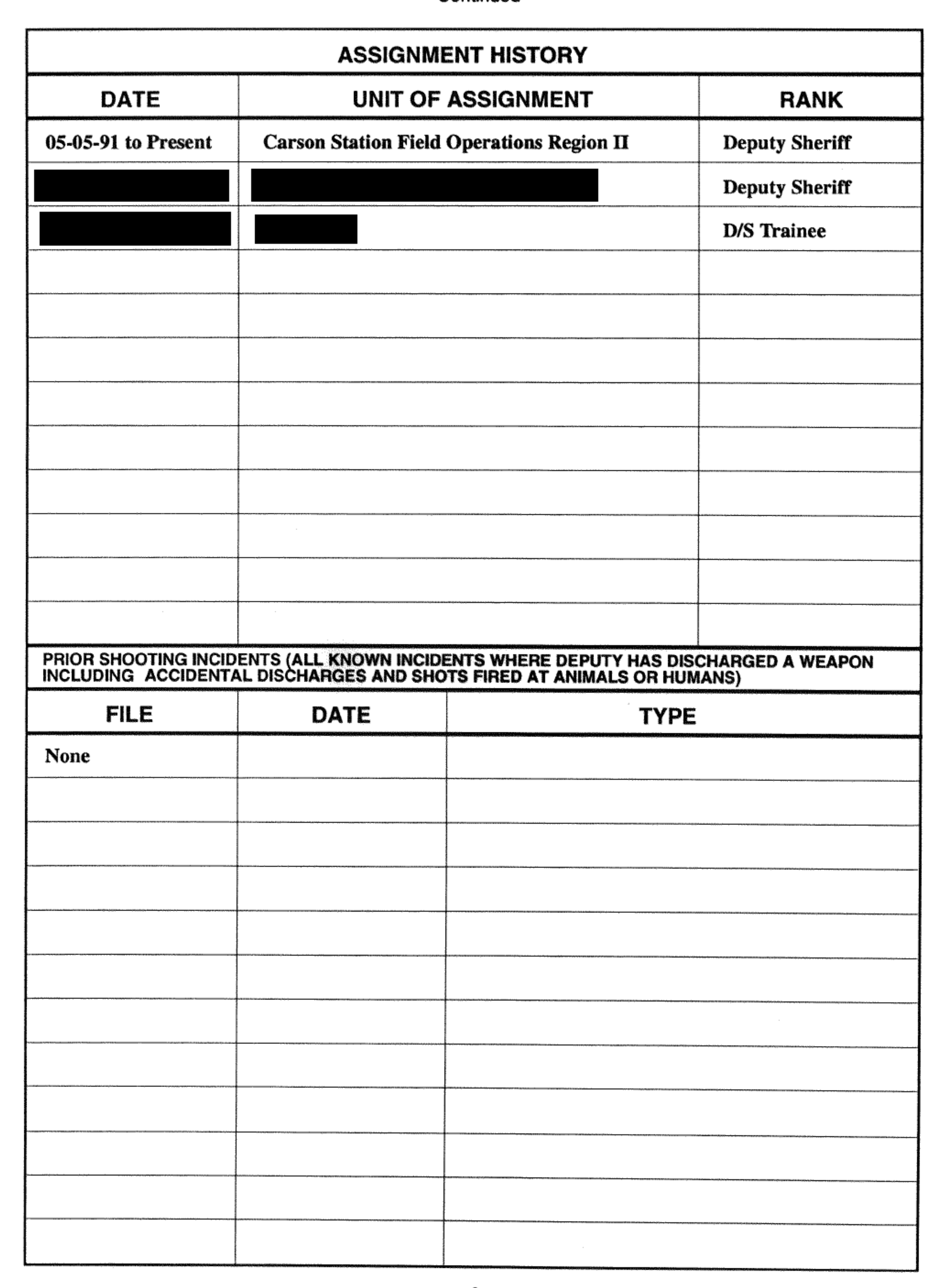
RANGE QUALIFICATION (LAST DATE)	NO. OF ROUNDS FIRED BY DEPUTY	NO. OF HITS
[redacted]	Two	Unknown

DEPUTY'S TOXICOLOGY

UNDER THE INFLUENCE	TEST FOR CAUSE ORDERED	ORDERED BY
No	No	Not Applicable

TRAINING INFORMATION

LASER VILLAGE TRAINING (LAST DATE)	PRACTICAL POLICE COURSE (LAST DATE)
[redacted]	[redacted]



ASSIGNMENT HISTORY

DATE	UNIT OF ASSIGNMENT	RANK
05-05-91 to Present	Carson Station Field Operations Region II	Deputy Sheriff
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy Sheriff
[redacted]	[redacted]	D/S Trainee

PRIOR SHOOTING INCIDENTS (ALL KNOWN INCIDENTS WHERE DEPUTY HAS DISCHARGED A WEAPON INCLUDING ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGES AND SHOTS FIRED AT ANIMALS OR HUMANS)

FILE	DATE	TYPE
None		

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SUSPECT/SUBJECT

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	M/I
Miller	Paris	D

ADDRESS
[redacted]

SEX:	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	D.O.B.	AGE	DECEASED
Male	Black	5'11"	180	10-24-72	21	No

INJURED	DESCRIPTION OF INJURIES
Yes	Gun shot wound to the chest

SUSPECT'S TOXICOLOGY

UNDER THE INFLUENCE
Unknown

TYPE OF SUBSTANCE	LAB TEST CONDUCTED
Unknown	Unknown

ARMED	TYPE OF WEAPON
Yes	Semi-Automatic .380 Caliber Hand gun, "Jennings"

NUMBER OF SHOTS FIRED BY SUSPECT	NUMBER OF HITS
Unknown	None

SUSPECT VEHICLE
1980 Toyota, Black, Corolla, Hatchback, License #[redacted]Hawthorne P.D. Stolen (#93-136)

CRIMINAL HISTORY (ATTACH COPY OF RAPS)
Attached

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT
Attached

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SUSPECT/SUBJECT

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	M/I
Unknown	Unknown	Unk.

ADDRESS
Unknown

SEX:	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	D.O.B.	AGE	DECEASED
Male	Black	5'8"-- 6'	Slim Build	Unk.	Unk.	No

INJURED	DESCRIPTION OF INJURIES
Unk.	Unk.

SUSPECT'S TOXICOLOGY

UNDER THE INFLUENCE
Unk.

TYPE OF SUBSTANCE	LAB TEST CONDUCTED
Unk.	None

ARMED	TYPE OF WEAPON
Yes	Handgun, semi-automatic, "AA arms"9mm,Mod.8p9

NUMBER OF SHOTS FIRED BY SUSPECT	NUMBER OF HITS
Several shots, Unknown how many	None

SUSPECT VEHICLE
1980 Black Toyota Hatchback, License #[redacted], Hawthorne P.D. Stolen

CRIMINAL HISTORY (ATTACH COPY OF RAPS)
Unknown name of Suspect #2.

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT
See Attached

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT

On July 9, 1993, at approximately 1740 hours, Deputies William Bartlett, #[redacted], and [redacted] #[redacted] who were working Carson Station Unit 162, became involved in a pursuit.

While Bartlett, the driver, and [redacted] the "bookman", were patrolling in the Los Angeles County area at 129th Street and Towne Avenue, they observed a black Toyota, license number [redacted] (a Hawthorne P.D. stolen), speeding eastbound on 129th Street.

The deputies began following the suspect vehicle, which was occupied by two male Blacks, eastbound on 129th Street. The suspect vehicle turned southbound on Avalon Boulevard, to westbound on 131st Street, then northbound on Towne Avenue. At this time Bartlett activated his emergency lights and siren, and [redacted] announced via their radio that they were in pursuit.

The pursuit continued northbound on Towne Avenue to westbound El Segundo Boulevard, where the suspect's vehicle nearly collided with a large truck. The suspect's then turned to northbound Avalon Boulevard and accelerated to approximately 50 MPH.

> I.A.B. NOTE: Deputies Bartlett and [redacted] were not interviewed by the Internal Affairs Investigators. All statements contained in this Shooting Review, made by the deputies, were taken from the homicide investigatigative reports.

Deputy [redacted] said that the suspect's vehicle suddenly slowed at 126th Street, and their patrol car closed to within one car length of the suspect's vehicle. It was during this time that the deputies were advised that the suspect's vehicle was stolen.

Deputy [redacted] said the passenger suspect suddenly leaned out the window of the vehicle, facing the deputies, and was holding a gun. Both deputies "dived down", and Bartlett said he believed that the suspect intended to "blow out the windshield" and "kill us."

After both deputies "dove" to the center of the radio car seat, Bartlett said he heard two quick gunshots. Bartlett said he sharply braked the radio car to get some distance between their vehicle and the suspect's vehicle. The distance between the two cars then widened to approximately five car lengths.

Bartlett stated that he believed that the driver (Suspect Paris Miller) was also armed and was going to shoot at them. Deputy [redacted] broadcast on the radio that there had been "923's" (shots fired) and Bartlett told him "NO!, 245 (assault) on a police officer! He's trying to kill us!" Bartlett said he saw something fall out of the passenger side of the suspect's vehicle, but he could not tell what the object was.

The object that Bartlett saw fall from the suspect's vehicle near San Pedro and 122nd Street was an ammunition magazine that contained five live rounds of "Winchester Luger" brand ammunition. Near where the magazine was found was seven expended 9mm casings, and eight live 9mm "Winchester Luger" rounds. Also found on San Pedro Street, was two expended.380 caliber, "CCI" brand casings.

After the suspect's fired at the deputies, the suspect's vehicle accelerated and pulled further away from the deputies, approximately 12 car lengths. Bartlett said he maintained this distance for safety, and continued to follow the suspect's vehicle.

At 119th Street, Bartlett said the suspect's braked sharply, then turned left (westbound) onto 118th Place. The suspect driver lost control of the vehicle, swerved into the eastbound lane, then struck a pickup truck that was parked at the south curb. Bartlett said he tried to stop the radio car a safe distance away from the suspect's vehicle, but the brakes were hot and the radio car continued to roll until they were much too close to the suspect's car.

Deputy Bartlett stated that he and the suspect driver (Miller) exited their vehicles at about the same time. Bartlett said when Miller exited his car, he had his left shoulder pointed in his (Bartlett's) direction, and had both of his hands at his side, near his right waistband. Bartlett stated that he believed that Miller had a gun, and then saw Miller's hands come up. Bartlett said he believed that Miller was going to shoot him. Bartlett said he fired what he believes was five shots at Miller. Bartlett said he saw Miller dive onto the driveway at [redacted] East 118th Place, and take what he thought was cover behind a vehicle that was parked in the driveway. Bartlett believed that Miller was preparing to shoot him and [redacted] so Bartlett entered the radio car and backed it approximately 20 to 30 feet eastbound away from Miller. Bartlett said that he broadcast a "998" at this time.

Deputy [redacted] stated that after the suspect vehicle came to a stop, the passenger suspect exited the car. [redacted] said the suspect turned toward them, and began moving in their direction with his right arm stiff at his side, as if he was still holding a weapon. Believing that the suspect was going to shoot at them again, [redacted] said he fired two shots at the passenger suspect. [redacted] said the suspect turned and ran westbound out of sight. [redacted] said within 30 to 40 seconds, assisting units began arriving. Both deputies believed, at that time, they had not struck either of the suspect's with their gunfire.

After a containment was set up, the deputies approached the suspect's vehicle and observed weapons laying on the floorboard, (Exhibit F & G) left behind by the suspects. A search of the area for the suspects proved fruitless.

On July 15, 1993, Sheriff's Firearm Technician Dale Higashi told homicide investigators that the.380 caliber expended casings recovered at the crime scene had been examined and found not to have been fired by the.380 caliber semi-automatic pistol that was recovered from inside the suspect's vehicle on the night of the shooting.

> I.A.B. NOTE: This would indicate that the suspects had two .380 caliber weapons in their possession.

Shortly after the suspect's fled from the scene, Suspect Miller was admitted to Martin Luther King Medical Center for treatment of a gunshot wound to the chest. Suspect Miller told homicide investigators that he had been shot in a "Drive-By" and refused to give any further information. The bullet that struck Miller is lodged in his chest. The doctors that operated on Miller did not remove the bullet, therefore, a ballistics test could not be done, to determine if the bullet was from Deputy Bartlett's weapon.

The second suspect (passenger) has been tentatively identified as George Michael Bender, MB/20 DOB: 06-04-73, residing at [redacted] Bender resides with his [redacted] at this location

I.A.B. NOTE: The suspect's vehicle collided with the pickup truck at [redacted] East 118th Place, less than one block from Bender's residence.

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WITNESS LIST

SWORN AND DEPT EMPLOYEES TO INCLUDE NAME, RANK, EMPLOYEE NUMBER, UNIT, AND DIVISION/REGION OF ASSIGNMENT - ALL OTHER WITNESSES TO INCLUDE NAME, ADDRESS (BUSINESS AND HOME) AND TELEPHONE #

WITNESS #____ **None Interviewed by Internal Affairs Investigators**

was interviewed on ________________ at ________ hours by ________________________ of the Internal Affairs Bureau. The interview was (was not) tape recorded. The person interviewed was given a copy of his/herAdministrativeRights: Yes [__] No [__]

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NOTE: THIS LIST ONLY CONTAINS THOSE WITNESSES PERSONALLY INTERVIEWED BY I.A.B. INVESTIGATORS. SEE ATTACHED REPORTS AND DOCUMENTS FOR POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL WITNESSES.

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ON SCENE CHECK LIST

HANDLING UNIT	OFFICER IN CHARGE
Homicide	**Lieutenant Benedict**
DIAGRAM LOCATION **Submitted**	PHOTOS OF LOCATION **Submitted**

NOTE ALL VEHICLES INVOLVED IN INCIDENT

LICENSE #	DESCRIPTION
[redacted]	**Toyota, Black Fastback, Hawthorne P.D. Stolen**

LOCATION OF ANY WEAPONS
Two firearms located on the front floor of the suspects vehicle

LOCATION OF ANY BODIES
None

LOCATION OF ANY BLOOD
None at Scene

COMPLETE WITNESS LIST
Submitted

WAS THE DEPUTY IMMEDIATELY REMOVED FROM THE SCENE? YES [ ] NO [X]

WAS THE DEPUTY SEQUESTERED PRIOR TO THE INTERVIEW? YES [X] NO [ ]
WHERE? **Carson Station**
SUPERVISED BY: **Lieutenant Masse, Watch Commander, Carson Station**

VIDEO TAPE OF SCENE
By Homicide

IN SERVICE SHEETS
Submitted

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CASE COMPLETION CHECK LIST

RECORDED RADIO MESSAGES

On File at Internal Affairs Bureau

MDT MESSAGES

Submitted

STATION LOG PRINT OUT

Submitted

CAR LOGS

Submitted

PHONE CALL RECORDINGS PERTAINING TO CASE

None (Observation)

PRINTS FROM SCENE

By Homicide

GSR TEST

By Homicide

BLOOD SPATTER EXAM AND ANALYSIS

By Homicide

ALL REPORTS AND DOCUMENTS FROM STATION / UNIT

Submitted

STATION / UNIT TRAINING RECORDS

On File at Carson Station

ACADEMY TRAINING RECORDS

On File at S.T.A.R.S. Center

TRAINING RECORDS FOR EQUIPMENT USED

On File at S.T.A.R.S. Center

SUSPECT PERSONAL HISTORY INFORMATION

Submitted